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Mr. Badger's Speech.

Last evening, in accordance with a previous announcement, Hon. George E. Badger, one of the Electors for the State at Large on the Bell and Everett ticket, addressed the citizens of Wilmington in Thalian Hall. The audience was large and attentive, and Mr. Badger claimed their attention for fully three hours. We had never heard Mr. Badger before, but had heard the most extravagant laudations of his powers of oratory and argument. Perhaps we had thus been led to expect too much; but however that was, we presume that there can be but one opinion with reference to the effort of last night. The feeling decidedly was one of disappointment. We do not say that the speech of Mr. Badger was a failure. Mr. Badger is a man of character and ability, and possibly it might be regarded as presumption on our part to say that he did not make a great speech, and of course, we do not say so, but we do say this much—that if a common man had made that speech, it would have been about the dullest and most uninteresting speech that has been made here for years. We do not believe that Mr. Badger made a vote by his effort, or that any of his party thought he did. His attack upon Governor Ellis was—we leave that for people to decide for themselves. There was, all the time, a pervading consciousness on the part of Mr. Badger, that he, Mr. Badger, was personally present. He never seemed to forget himself—he was always conscious of George E. Badger.

Upon national politics, Mr. Badger referred to Bell and Everett. He did not refer to a little issue of veracity said to be pending between Messrs. Badger and Bell. We hope they have fixed it all right. Have not heard of it, though.

The tin-cup and the nigger business formed the staple of his remarks on State politics. These points were better presented by our young friend Waddell last week, in the Town Hall. That, we take it, is the general impression with both parties. Upon the whole, as the United States Senatorship is the prize for which Mr. Badger is contending, we rather feel inclined to give it to Mr. Waddell. Mr. Waddell has made the best anti-Democratic speech of the two. We go for Waddell for Senator, if he is old enough, and if an oppositionist must be elected; but, upon the whole, we think, possibly, that an oppositionist will not be elected. That is a notion we have.

Our supply of capital "Is" is pretty full, but we are happy to be relieved of the necessity of reporting Mr. Badger *verbatim*, for we would have run out, *sure*.

Daily Journal, 14th inst.

Speaking Last Night.

In response to the request of the Democratic Executive Committee for New Hanover county, Hon. S. J. Person addressed his fellow-citizens last night at the Town Hall, in reply to positions advanced two evenings before by Hon. George E. Badger, one of the Opposition Electors for the State at large.

Judge Person apologized for the effort which he made by stating that, for the last week his health had been such as to prevent his paying that attention to the subject under discussion which its importance demands, but at the same time, having been called upon by the Executive Committee of his party, he did not feel at liberty to decline. From the expressions which we heard last night, and from our own opinion of the speech, we think that no apology was needed. We really believe that it was one of the best political addresses that Judge Person has ever made. We know that it reflected credit upon himself, and we cannot but believe that its effects will be beneficial to the Democratic party. Even the Opposition party accord to Judge Person the credit of having achieved a decided success, and in doing so he referred to the distinguished gentleman to whom he was replying with all the respect and courtesy due to his age, standing and character, but most assuredly he did not spare his arguments, and he did show up Mr. Pool and his inconsistencies just about as effectually as any gentleman of our acquaintance would like to be showed up; and the worst of it, for Mr. Pool, was that the Judge quoted the days and the dates, the volume and the page of the record, and made no charge that he did not so substantiate.

Judge Person's address occupied, we think, a little over an hour and a half in the delivery. Mr. Badger's was rather over three hours, yet it did seem to us that every point made by Mr. Badger in his three hours' speech was fully and successfully noticed in the comparatively brief reply of Judge Person.

The audience at the Town Hall was a large, respectable, and attentive one, though not quite as numerous, we think, as that which assembled in Thalian Hall to listen to Mr. Badger two nights before, the fact being, that, apart from Mr. Badger's reputation, and the curiosity felt to hear him, which secured him an audience, his speech rather tended to keep people away from any political address soon afterwards. Its great length—its egotism—its pervading Badgerism, so worried even his own friends, that they had enough politics for one week, and the Democrats came to the conclusion that if that was the best talk that could be made on the opposition side, a reply was hardly needed. Nobody was hurt on our side, however the other side may have felt.

A friend writing to us on business from a Western County says: "The Opposition are doing everything they can to defeat Gov. Ellis, and we have much to fear from too much confidence on the part of Democrats. Democrats should be urged to turn out and work, and not trust to past majorities."

The above which we copy from the Fayetteville Courier is unfortunately too true. It will not do for Democrats to rely too implicitly upon past majorities, nor indeed will it do for any party to pursue such course. No party is strong enough to neglect the means of success; and we are pleased to find that the Democrats in this and the other counties of the Cape Fear district, are beginning to be fully aroused—that they are bringing out their ablest and strongest men, and that the apathy with which our party has been chargeable, is passing away. So far as we can find now, the prospects are, that instead of losing, we will most probably gain votes, and, certainly, the longer the canvass is protracted, and the fuller discussion we have of the issues pending between the parties, the better will be the result for the Democratic party.

As the matter stood some time since, there was every reason for apprehension, simply from the apathy and over-confidence of the Democratic party. Latterly that party is becoming more fully aroused, and there is, therefore, less danger, but still we cannot afford to dispense with effort and exertion.

A LITTLE CITY.—One of the Japanese Ambassadors, after having been shown the city of Philadelphia from the roof of Girard College, remarked that Jeddo was a big city, and Philadelphia was a little one. He asserted that the population of Jeddo amounted to eight millions, and stuck to it. What will the cockneys, who brag upon the two-and-a-half millions of London say to the eight millions of Jeddo?

There is this difference between the cities of Europe and America and those of China and Japan, that although these last named are large and populous, they are simply overgrown villages, the majority of the houses being but one story in height, and devoid of all beauty or architectural pretension.

ANOTHER WARNING.—Last night whilst a servant girl of Mr. J. C. Bowden's was engaged in filling a fluid lamp, it caught fire, and she was severely burned. The family had just retired for the night, but her cries aroused them, and the fire was extinguished before any serious damage happened.—Daily Journal, 15th inst.

Bank of North-Carolina.

We learn from the Raleigh Standard that the annual meeting of the stockholders of this institution was held at their banking house in Raleigh, on Thursday last. The old Board of Directors was re-elected. Branches of the Bank were established at Asheville and Statesville, and Agencies at Wentworth and Warrenton.

The annual report of the condition of the Bank showed it to be in a prosperous condition. The stock of this institution is worth in market per share \$110 to \$114. No dividend has been declared, and the whole of the capital stock has just been paid in.

CRAYEN COUNTY.—A Democratic Convention held this week in Newbern, nominated Nathaniel H. Street, for the Senate; and D. K. McKee and Albert Reel for the Commons from Craven county. The ticket is a strong one, and will, no doubt, be elected. By the way, we copy the above nominations from the report in the Newbern Enquirer, one of the Editors of that paper having served as Secretary of the Convention. The Progress reports a different nomination for the Commons, to wit: Nathan Whitford and Albert Reel.—Whether Mr. McKee or Mr. Whitford is the nominee we cannot say.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT.—Yesterday afternoon Messrs. Fanning and Baker, telegraphic operators, having a few leisure moments, went over the river for the purpose of testing a new pistol. They selected a place in the rear of the Machine Shops of the Manchester Rail Road, where they supposed there could be no possibility of any one's being. Mr. Fanning had fired five times, and had reloaded his pistol, but to do doubly sure that no person was in the way, they halted, and received no answer.—Mr. Baker then fired, and was about firing the second time, when one of the workmen in the Shops, Mr. David Canady, came out of the thicket and remarked that he had been shot. Mr. C. was immediately conveyed by Messrs. Fanning and Baker to the nearest building, when they procured medical aid as soon as possible.—The ball entered the right breast, striking a rib; it glanced and lodged just at the lower part of the shoulder blade.

We are pleased to learn that the wound is not as dangerous as was first feared, and that it is not likely to result seriously.

No blame is attached to the parties.

THE DAILY ROUGH NOTES.—We must beg friend Robinson's pardon for not mentioning the fact earlier, that the Daily Rough Notes has again made its appearance. Several numbers have already been issued, and quite an improvement in the appearance of the paper is the result of the temporary suspension. We are truly gratified to see the "Notes" again before the public.—May it long live to help us fight the battles of the Democratic party.

We are requested to call attention to the card of the Military Committee, published in to-day's issue, in reference to the proposed Military Convention, to be held at Goldsboro'. The papers of the State are requested to copy the card, or take notice of it otherwise.

The Newbern Progress confirms the report of the nomination of Mr. McKee, as a candidate for assent in the next House of Commons, from Craven County.

Correspondence.

WILMINGTON, N. C., June 13th, 1860. DEAR SIR:—We have the honor of informing you that the Democratic Convention, held at Wilmington on the 12th inst., for the purpose of nominating candidates to represent the County of New Hanover in the next General Assembly, in which Convention every district in the County was represented, unanimously nominated you as a candidate for the Senate.

Very respectfully,
MOODY B. SMITH,
WM. M. WALKER,
ABRAHAM F. NEWKIRK,
Committee of Convention.

To ELI W. HALL, Esq.

WILMINGTON, N. C., June 14th, 1860. GENTLEMEN:—Your communication of the 13th inst., informing me of my nomination by the Democratic Convention of New Hanover County, as a candidate for the Senate in the next General Assembly, has been received. I accept the nomination, and am deeply grateful to my fellow-citizens for the mark of their confidence in me. I can pledge my honest and zealous endeavors to merit their esteem by a faithful discharge of the responsible duties which will devolve upon me in the event of my election.

With respect, I am very truly yours,
ELI W. HALL.

To Messrs. MOODY B. SMITH, WM. M. WALKER, ABRAHAM F. NEWKIRK, Committee.

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To HON. SAMUEL J. PERSON.

To the Military of North Carolina.

A Military Convention will be held in the town of Goldsboro', on Wednesday, 14th of July, 1860, all the Volunteer Companies of the State are expected to send delegates in full dress uniform.

WM. L. DELOSSET,
C. D. HALL,
C. D. MYERS,
J. M. WALKER,
J. H. WRIGHT,
Committee.

In connection with the above call for the Military Convention, the committee think it necessary to state that the Circular has been received from twenty Companies, representing eighteen counties. Eighteen of the twenty agree to the arrangements proposed in the Circular, one from Texas, and one from North Carolina, and the other place of meeting. All necessary arrangements for the meeting will be made. The W. & W., and N. C. Rail Roads Companies will be stationed for the purpose of conveying the Militia and of the Military Schools throughout the State are cordially invited to be present.

MR. BADGER'S SPEECH.—The Register contains a report of a speech said to have been made by the Hon. Geo. E. Badger, in Raleigh, on Monday evening the 4th inst., what a "fall" that speech gives Hon. Geo. E. Badger! But we will do justice to Mr. Badger and say that that speech was on *ad valorem* mainly, and it will take two Badgers to make a good speech on such a question. We will notice the effusion hereafter. By the way, why does Mr. Badger continue to shun Ed. G. Haywood and go creeping into K. N. ad valorem clubs where he cannot be repudiated? Is Mr. Badger afraid Mr. Haywood will pluck his plume for him? The Register says Mr. Haywood is an aristocrat. So too is Mr. Badger—one of the original sort—and therefore is Mr. Haywood on a level with him. Come, Mr. Badger, you are a State Elector for the no-platform party, and Mr. Haywood is also a State Elector, with all the sins of Democracy to carry—and yet will be "try you." Give notice of your appointments and to your opponent, and let us have a fair stand up fight.—The truth is, Mr. Badger is afraid to risk his reputation in an encounter with young Haywood! In this state of the case suppose you lose the "Little Blower" who is not afraid—because he has no reputation to risk?—*Salisbury Banner*.

"Democracy is doomed, its doom was sealed on the bloody fields of Kansas and on the Heights of Harper's Ferry!"—*W. G. Jones, Jr.*, one of the K. N. candidates for the Commons in Texas.

The above is very strange language for an opposition man who expects the votes of Southern men. So the men who sealed the doom of Democracy on the bloody fields of Kansas and on the Heights of Harper's Ferry, have employed the opposition to declare and carry their glorious work. Who will explain the meaning of the above sentence.—*North Carolinian*.

BY TELEGRAPH.

CONGRESS.

WASHINGTON, June 14th, 1860. Yesterday the Senate was occupied the whole day on the civil appropriation bill, without coming to final action thereon.

The House passed resolutions of censure by a vote of 120 to 61, against the President and Secretary of the Navy. The Navy appropriation bill was passed.

WASHINGTON, June 15th, 1860. Yesterday the Senate extended the time of adjournment to the twenty-fifth inst. The Civil Appropriation Bill was largely amended and passed. The Postal Appropriation Bill was also passed.

The House adopted a resolution reducing the price to be paid for the public printing forty per centum. The Fortification Bill was discussed, and the amount largely reduced. The Army Bill was amended. Both bills go back to the senate for concurrence. The House will probably concur with the Senate in extending the time for adjournment.

WASHINGTON, June 16th, 1860. In the Senate on yesterday the Committee on the Harper's Ferry affair made two reports. The majority report favored military protection for the Arsenal; thinks that Brown kept the main secrets of his attempt to seize the Arsenal, &c., to himself. The minority thinks that no further legislation on the subject is necessary.—The Senate laid the Tariff Bill over till the next session.

The House refused to concur in the Senate's amendment of the Pacific Telegraph Bill. A Committee of Conference was ordered on the Homestead Bill. The House disagreed to the Senate's amendments to the Civil Appropriation Bill.

LATER FROM EUROPE. A European Steamer was announced off Cape Race last night, but her news has not yet been received. [It is probably the *Hammonia*, from Southampton, with dates to the 4th inst.—*John*.]

Gen. Superintendent American Telegraph Lines. John Kendall has been appointed General Superintendent of the American Telegraph Lines.

TWO DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE. HALIFAX, N. S., June 14th, 1860. The Steamer Niagara arrived here yesterday, bringing Liverpool dates to the 2d inst.

Her news confirms the reports that Garibaldi, after a fierce combat and amid a heavy bombardment from the Neapolitan fleet, had entered Palermo, and now holds the city.

LIVERPOOL, June 14th, 1860. Cotton—Sales of the week, 55,000 bales, market closing very dull, and Middling and lower grades have declined 1/4d to 1/2d, for the finer qualities prices are easier, but quotations unchanged. Fair Orleans 7 3/4d; Middling Orleans 6 5/4d; Fair Uplands 7 1/2d; Middling Uplands 6 1-16d. Stock in this market 1,295,000 bales, of which 1,089,000 bales are American.

Flour dull. Liverpool Circulars are conflicting, and disagree widely on quotations for Wheat and Corn. Rice is dull—Carolina 22s 6d. It is steady at 4s 5d. Consols closed at 94 1/2.

The Question of Taxation.

We have heretofore stated and shown that no Southern State that taxes slaves according to value at the same time taxes all other property, as proposed by the Opposition platform. This is true of Louisiana, Georgia, Alabama, Arkansas, Texas and Florida. All these States discriminate in their tax bills, and then exempt a large amount of property exempted from taxation. But the Opposition platform would tax everything, and that too at the same rate. It is not necessary that we should here specify the articles. "Their name is legion." The tax-payer can run them over in his mind, and make a list of them he chooses, for his own satisfaction; but let him bear in mind in so doing that Mr. Know Nothing John Pool insists that he shall include everything. Everything must be taxed, says Mr. Pool. Let us see how that would operate: Mr. Pool estimates the entire property in the State to be worth seven hundred millions of dollars. We think the estimate too high, but we will take it as he has made it. Ten cents on the hundred dollars worth of this amount, or one-tenth of one per cent, would make one hundred thousand dollars. There are three hundred thousand slaves in this State, worth at \$600 each, one hundred and eighty millions of dollars. The lands are worth, say one hundred and fifty millions of dollars; they would pay, at the same rate, one-tenth of one per cent, or one hundred and fifty thousand dollars. Amount of taxes to be raised, \$300,000. Amount paid on lands and slaves, \$300,000.

Leaving \$370,000 to be raised to make up the \$700,000. How would this be supplied? Why, the remaining \$370,000 must necessarily be raised by taxes on new subjects of taxation. It cannot be raised by specific taxes, for the Opposition platform proposes to tax all property and "every species" of property according to value. No part of it can be raised from lands and slaves, for the Opposition platform proposes the same tax on everything—the old subjects must not be taxed higher than they are now. Let Mr. Pool and his partisans meet these facts, if they can. They cannot do it and stand on their platform.—*Raleigh Standard*.

John Pool Trading for a Seat in the United States Senate.—Where is the Letter? It is currently rumored, we learn, upon undeniable authority, that a young man in Pasquotank county, who has been reading law under Mr. John Pool, and who now has charge of his office in Elizabeth City, wrote a certain letter to Mr. Frank Charles, of that county, who stood prominently before the Oppositionists for a nomination to a seat in the next Legislature, in which letter an effort was made to put the party screws to Mr. Charles by making him pledge, in advance of the election, that he would support Mr. Pool for the U. S. Senate in case he (the said Pool) was not elected Governor. It is said that the letter reads thus:

"Sir—It is understood that you are spoken of as a candidate of the Opposition, to represent this county in the next Legislature. Satisfactory answers from you to the following questions will insure your unanimous nomination. Are you in favor of the promotion of John Pool? 2d. In case of the defeat of John Pool for Governor, will you use every effort, both in caucus and out of it, if you are a member of the next Legislature, to secure his nomination for the Senate of the United States?"

This letter, we learn, was handed to Mr. Charles, but he replied that he would make no promise. Whereupon, the county convention met, and Mr. Pool's friends used every effort to defeat Mr. Charles' nomination, and they succeeded in doing so; they succeeded in procuring a man because he would not pledge himself to vote for John Pool.

Mr. Pool has said, in many of his speeches, that he would be elected if men were let alone to vote according to their own convictions, without the "party screws." Who applied the "party screws" in Pasquotank county? We call upon Mr. Charles to answer.

Comment upon the above is unnecessary. The public will conclude at once that Mr. Pool and his friends have already despaired of his election, and efforts are being made to secure his election to the senate, in case the Opposition should get a majority in the next Legislature. Wonder how Mr. Badger, the great I Am of the Opposition party, likes this arrangement? It would be well for Mr. Badger to take the hint, and watch his friend Pool.—*Raleigh Press*.

The Overland Express—Indian Outrages. ST. JOSEPH'S, June 11th.—The pony express has arrived, with dates to the 3d instant for Ruby Valley, 300 miles west of Salt Lake. There is no express from San Francisco. The agent at Ruby Valley was killed by three of the employees of the express at Dry Creek station, where he was murdered by the Indians. Two hundred troops under Lieutenant Weed would leave next day to chastise the Indians, and re-open the route, for which every effort would be made.

Reliable information says that all the Indian depredations have been instigated by the whites. It was rumored at Salt Lake that an emigrant train had been cut off west of Ruby Valley, and nearly all the party murdered.

The express companies to make semi-weekly trips on Wednesday, the 13th. The other mail will remain on Saturday. The superintendent thinks that all will go regularly in the course of a fortnight.

Correspondence of the Raleigh Democratic Press.

University of North Carolina.—Commencement Exercises.

Monday, June 12th, was the first day of the long-looked-for occasion. There were few persons in attendance at the opening, but the crowd increased each day until it was quite as large as on former occasions at the commencement. The first thing on docket was the exhibition of the Freshman Class, and the following are their names, together with the subjects of their speeches:

- 1 Irish Defense.—Whitehead: Julius C. Mitchell, Albemarle.
- 2 Debut of O'Connell: Shell: Richard H. Smith, Scotland Neck.
- 3 The Battle of Ivry: Macaulay: Wesley L. Battle, Chapel Hill.
- 4 The South: Simms: William H. Reeves, Tennessee.
- 5 National Hall: Choate: G. Lawrence Washington, Kingston.
- 6 Lone Star of Texas: Webb: Marandy R. Wilford, Texas.

After the above named had spoken and retired, others came upon the stage.

- 1 The Platform of the Constitution: Webster: John T. Harris, Franklin County.
- 2 Monument in Independence Square: Rayner: Robert D. Graham, Association on former occasions, nothing at all.
- 3 Mahmoud II: William J. White, Warrenton.
- 4 Mississippi Contested Election: Prentiss: John H. McColl, Mississippi.
- 5 Feelings of an American towards England: Royster: Norman L. Shaw, Harrelville.

The efforts of all the orators were very good, and elicited much applause from the assembly present at the conclusion of each speech. Music by the Army Band intervened between each speech.

Immediately after the speaking was concluded, a large portion of the audience proceeded to the ball room to refresh themselves and while away dull care by tripping on the light fantastic foot. There was on every side, arrayed in finery, with an uncommon supply of hoops. Dancing was kept up to a late hour, much to the enjoyment of all.

THIS DAY, I am sorry to say, passed off without anything being done. No historical address; no address before the North Carolina Association on former occasions, nothing at all. In fact, it was indeed a dull day; but when night came on it was anything else, as this was the time for Archbishop Hughes to deliver the graduating sermon. At a very early hour the College Chapel was crowded; every seat in the house appeared to be occupied, such was the great desire to hear the person who is at the head of the Catholic Church in this country. The audience was seated, in a short time the Archbishop appeared, accompanied by Bishop Lynch, of South Carolina, and another, whose name I could not learn. A few minutes elapsed when Bishop Lynch arose, and in a clear and audible voice, read a very fervent prayer. Immediately after which, the Archbishop arose, and after having thanked the graduating class for their high honor conferred upon him, which, he said, would be fondly remembered and cherished through life, proceeded with his sermon, and for an hour and half entertained the audience with his subject. It was exactly what he was invited to preach, namely, a Baccalaureate or graduating sermon. He will not go into details as to what he published, when he can judge for himself; every one spoke very highly of it.

WEDNESDAY, THE 30 DAY. The crowd had increased to a very large number on Thursday, and at 10 o'clock the procession was formed in front of the west building, and after marching around the monument erected by the alumni, the Rev. Dr. Caldwell, first President of the University, proceeded to the College Chapel for the purpose of listening to the address before the two literary societies, delivered by the Hon. J. M. McKee, of Pasquotank. Mr. Pool was accompanied on the rostrum, by E. J. Hale, Jr., and P. M. Butler, who acted as conductors of their respective societies, the former representing the Philology and the latter the Eloquence Society. Mr. Hale, in a brief but appropriate remarks, introduced the speaker to the audience, whereupon Mr. Pool arose and proceeded to his subject. It occupied about one hour in its delivery. All seemed pleased with the effort. Your correspondent was so unfortunate as not to hear the greater portion of it, having a very uncomfortable seat, and the thermometer being at about 33, it was anything but pleasant. One thing recommended it, however, and that was its brevity. He spoke for an hour and a half, and his subject was, "The Address," also, will, no doubt, be published. After the address was concluded, there was a meeting of the Alumni Association in the College Library Hall; what business was transacted I did not learn.

Nothing was done on Wednesday evening until night, at eight o'clock, when the competitors of the Sophomore Class assembled. Below are their names and the subjects of their speeches.

- 1 The Washington Monument: Winthrop: William W. Jones, Henderson.
- 2 Development of Southern Resources: Ballard: Aurelius.
- 3 Speech of Spartacus: Kellogg: John H. Bass, Georgia.
- 4 Destruction of Jerusalem: Headley: William Biggs, Williamsburg.
- 5 The Aliens and English Victories: Shell: S. Jay Andrews, Greensboro'.
- 6 Paralysis: Willis: John W. Hinsdale, Fayetteville.
- 7 When the valiant knight occupied the stage, a few minutes before, had retired, President Swain gave notice that the prize for the best contribution to the columns of the *University* was to be given to the author of the best article, being in the person of Mr. Hugh Strong, of So. Carolina, he having made the best contributions over several columns of the last year.
- 8 The Abolition of Slavery: James H. Polk, Tennessee.
- 9 The Abolition of Slavery: Barksdale: Thomas G. Skinner, Perquimans County.
- 10 Results of Abolition Treaties: Vorhees: T. W. Taylor, Raleigh.
- 11 Plea for the Union: Baldwin: William M. Fetter, Chapel Hill.
- 12 The efforts of all these gentlemen were very creditable and proved conclusively that they were well skilled in the art of declamation and of the very first order.
- 13 The Band discoursed sweet strains during the intervals.
- 14 The numerous crowd quickly dispersed to their homes.
- 15 Every one enjoying themselves to their heart's content.

THURSDAY, June 7th. This was the last and the principal day of Commencement. At ten o'clock the Chapel was crowded to overflowing, hundreds standing, unable to obtain seats. The exercises of this day opened with sacred music, after which a prayer was delivered by Rev. Dr. Caldwell, and the following orations were delivered by the fortunate seniors who obtained first and second distinctions:

1. Latin salutatory: John M. Boyster, Raleigh.
2. Where Eloquence flourishes, Liberty dwells: Junius Cotton Ball, Chapel Hill.
3. Moral Conscience: James Kelly, Moore county.
4. Man worship: Freeman's Harbor Station, Rockingham.
5. The Origin of Love—a Poem—Samuel Park Weir, Greensboro'.
6. Literary Vanity, William John King, Louisburg.
7. The Sentiment of Honor, William Joseph Headen, Chatham.
8. Emulation—its office in the work of Education, T. W. Cooper, Bertie Co.
9. The Alleged Degeneracy of the Age, George Pettigrew, Raleigh.
10. The Social Duties of Men, William Martin Brooks, Chatham.
11. The Study of Men, Hugh Strong, South Carolina.
12. Common Sense, Lewis Ford, Tenn.

AFTERNOON. I. Extemporaneous Speaking, Charles Carroll Pool, Elizabeth City.

II. Industry and Civilization, Geo. Lovick Wilson, Newbern.

III. Influences of the Speculative Minds, William Augustus Wooster, Wilmington.

IV. Annual Report of the Examining Committee, which was read by the President of the University, Dr. Caldwell.

V. Degrees Conferred. The Degree of LL.D. was conferred upon W. L. Alexander, formerly a resident of this State, and late Tutor in the University, at present the President of the University of Virginia.

VI. The Valedictory, Edward Joseph Hale, Fayetteville. The different orators were uncommonly good and reflected credit upon the Class which they represented.

The Valedictory was very touching and affecting, and reminded the class of 1860 that they were soon to break the ties of friendship that have been so pleasantly constructed for the last four years, that soon a great number of them would be scattered far and wide, a greater portion of whom never to meet again; several were melted to tears and it seemed hard to sever so many friendships.

At the conclusion of the Valedictory, the band played a piece of sacred music; a psalm was sung, benediction pronounced, and then closed the Commencement of 1860. Nothing happened to please any one. Everything passed off very pleasantly, and none was disappointed with their visit. As the shades of night came on, hundreds might be seen removing their way in the hall, and the hall, where the sweet music of Capt. Smith's band told too well, that still, too, there was greater pleasure yet to be experienced.

I spoke of the dances on the previous evenings as being very fine, in the first part of this, but I must truly say, Thursday evening laid the previous ones in the shade both in number of persons and in the excellence of the music. At 8 o'clock when supper was announced which was prepared immediately under the Ball Room by Messrs. Dodd & Scheib of Salisbury, the crowd quickly dispersed to their homes.

It was truly gorgeous to behold, so nicely and tastefully was it arranged. The tables were beautifully loaded with everything it seemed, and never has it been the pleasure of my correspondent to see any Ball supper better gotten up than this, so if any of your readers wish to get up a nice supper let them go to Raleigh and order of Messrs. Dodd & Scheib. The crowd did justice to the supper, but it seemed as if there was as much left, as destroyed. After supper dancing again commenced, which lasted "all night till broad daylight," when the numerous crowd quickly dispersed to rest their no doubt, tired limbs before leaving. Friday at 10 o'clock nearly all the crowd had left for their different homes.

My joy and happiness ever attend them, and may we always have as pleasant commencements in future times as this. I have an idea about ending this long and tedious notice, the finest notice I have ever written, but I cannot, and if any errors have been committed, "blame the head, not the heart," gentle and kind reader. "MICE."

Hon. A. H. Stephens, of Georgia, is exceedingly unwell, from attacks of vertigo, entirely incapacitating him for business of any sort.

HORRIBLE MURDER.—Mrs. Abbe Rhodes, wife of B. C. Rhodes, was found dead, in Lumber river on Monday last with her throat cut and head crushed. She had a few days previous eloped with a free mulatto by the name of Shad Williams, taking with him \$2,500 dollars in money. Williams has been arrested and lodged in jail at Lumberton to await his trial.

Fayetteville Carolinian, 13th inst.

The Robeson Tragedy.

We learn the following additional facts about the late murder of Mrs. Rhodes in Robeson: It seems that she had employed Hardy Barnes to carry her away secretly with the intention of going away out of the State, with this fellow Williams. The woman was doubtless insane. It seems she left home on Wednesday and went to the house of Barnes where she was dressed in man's clothes and passed off for a man, being called by a fictitious name.

On Friday this man (woman) was seen in company with Barnes going to Lumberton, and that was the last seen of her alive. On Saturday night late or early Sabbath morning Barnes was seen in the vicinity of Lumberton under suspicious circumstances, and the fact was known that through the accomplice of his hand was found in the river. Williams is clear of the murder, from the fact that he was lodged in jail on Thursday and the woman was seen alive on Friday. It is supposed that she had about \$2,000 in her possession. There is another Barnes arrested as implicated in the murder.

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HON. BEDFORD BROWN.—The Brooklyn Daily Eagle of a recent date contains the following allusion to Col. Brown of this State:

"The South offers many candidates for the Vice Presidency of whom she may well be proud. North Carolina offers a noble monument of the proudest days of Democratic ascendancy in the person of the Hon. Bedford Brown, the incorruptible Senator throughout the time of Jackson and Van Buren. A more upright and honest man never walked upon the floor of the Senate than Bedford Brown. His motives were never for a moment suspected of selfishness during the long terms of service through the Administrations of Jackson and Van Buren. Other Gentlemen of equal ability but of less experience present themselves in the persons of Stephens, Davis, Johnson and others. From such a galaxy of political worth and brilliancy, the Convention at Baltimore cannot fail to make a selection that will command the support of every true Democrat and national conservative man throughout the entire confederacy."

SUPREME COURT.—On